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Response to Amendment

1. The affidavit filed on 07 April 2011 under 37 CFR 1.131 has been considered but is ineffective to overcome the Suzuki (US 2003/0021442) reference.
2. The evidence submitted is insufficient to establish a conception of the invention prior to the effective date of the Suzuki (US 2003/0021442) reference. While conception is the mental part of the inventive act, it must be capable of proof, such as by demonstrative evidence or by a complete disclosure to another. Conception is more than a vague idea of how to solve a problem. The requisite means themselves and their interaction must also be comprehended. See *Mergenthaler v. Scudder*, 1897 C.D. 724, 81 O.G. 1417 (D.C. Cir. 1897). The affidavit filed on 07 April 2011 fails to disclose enough to show conception at the date mentioned since conception is more than just a vague idea, but must show complete disclosure to another.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SATWANT K. SINGH whose telephone number is (571)272-7468. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday thru Friday 8am - 4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark K. Zimmerman can be reached on (571) 272-7653. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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